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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Before PAMELA S. BENNETT, Review Team Paralegal BENNETT, Review Team Paralegal.

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on October 16, 2008. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter requiring attention prior to docketing.

APPEAL BRIEF, STATUS OF CLAIMS

A review of the file indicates that the Appeal Brief filed February 18, 2008 does not comply with 37 CFR § 41.37(c) (2007). 37 CFR § 41.37(c)(1)(iii) states:

(iii) *Status of claims*. A statement of the status of all the claims in the proceeding (*e.g.*, rejected, allowed or confirmed, withdrawn, objected to, canceled) and an identification of those claims that are being appealed.

An in-depth review of the Appeal Brief indicates that the "Status of Claims" section is not complete because it only lists the status of the rejected claims. Correction is required.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is **ORDERED** that the application is returned to the Examiner:

- 1) to hold the Appeal Brief filed on February 18, 2008 defective;
- 2) to notify appellant to file a paper which corrects the "Status of Claims";
 - 3) for consideration of above-noted paper; and
 - 4) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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